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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6 are pending. Claims 1-6 are amended.

Claims 1-6 were allowed in the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due of May 18, 2004. The issue fee was paid on August 5, 2004. However, the application was withdrawn from issue in a notice dated November 5, 2004 and an Office action was subsequently received on January 7, 2005, rejecting all the claims. Claims 1-6 are now rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101, "because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter."

As suggested by the Examiner, claims 1-6 are amended to include receiving an input signal and generating an output signal to place the claims into a "safe harbor." In view of the above amendments, it is respectfully requested that the rejections be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for issuance, and accordingly, reconsideration and issuance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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